

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 19, which was previously amended on December 12, 2002, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The toner particles may have a surface property index defined by the following equations of approximately 2.0 or less which is measured under the condition of the toner without external additive:

(Surface property index) =

$$(\text{Measured specific surface area})/(\text{Calculated specific surface area})$$

(Calculated specific surface area) =

$$6\Sigma(n \times R^2)/(\rho \times \Sigma(n \times R^3))$$

wherein n represents a number of particles in a channel of a particle size analyzing apparatus that uses the Coulter principle, such as a COULTER COUNTER~~Coulter Counter~~, R represents a channel particle diameter in the of a particle size analyzing apparatus ~~Coulter Counter~~, and ρ represents a toner density.